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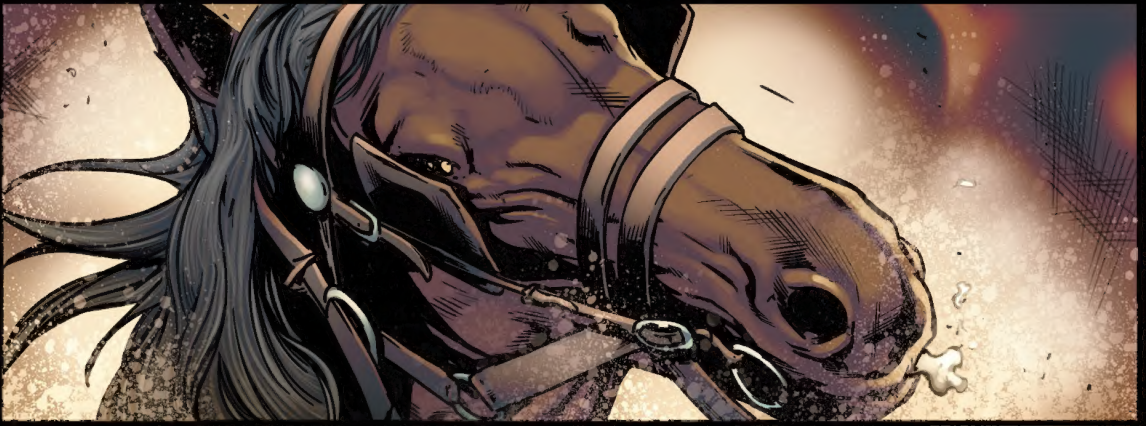
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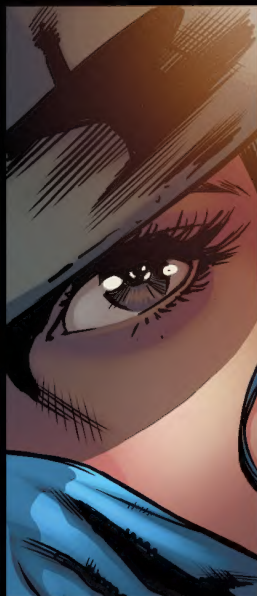
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I've got a big job interview.

WE ALL KNOW THAT A **HUGE** PROBLEM WITH DEVELOPMENT AID IS THAT SO MUCH OF THE MONEY IS LOST TO CORRUPT GOVERNMENTS.

2015.
San Diego,
California.

INSTEAD OF GIVING FUNDS TO DOZENS OF COUNTRIES, I THINK WORLD SHARE SHOULD FOCUS ON A HANDFUL OF DEMOCRACIES THAT HAVE STRONG HUMAN RIGHTS RECORDS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION SCORES.

SO WE JUST IGNORE MOST OF THE DEVELOPING WORLD? WE PUSH THE MOST STABLE COUNTRIES FARTHER AHEAD? WE DON'T WORK THAT WAY.

A REGIONAL POWER IS THE TIDE THAT LIFTS ALL BOATS. LOOK, IN 1957 MALAYSIA AND GHANA HAD THE SAME GDP PER-CAPITA. BY 2000 THE MALAYSIANS WERE EIGHT TIMES WEALTHIER. WHAT HAPPENED? JAPAN, THAT'S WHAT.

CRAP. YOU'RE LOSING HER.

NOT TO INTERRUPT, MS. DE LA CRUZ, BUT YOU NEED TO WALK BEFORE YOU CAN RUN. WE HAVE A SYSTEM CREATED BY PEOPLE WITH A LOT MORE EXPERIENCE THAN YOU.

NO. I NEVER HAD HER.

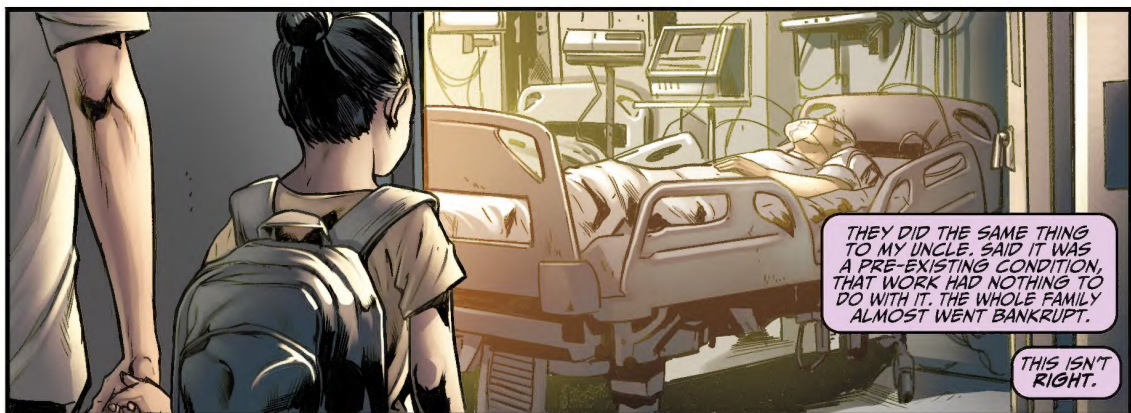
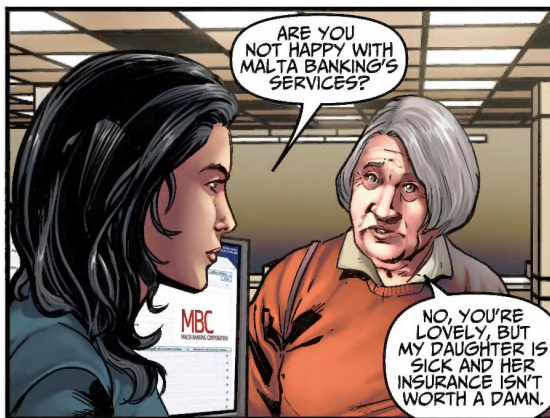
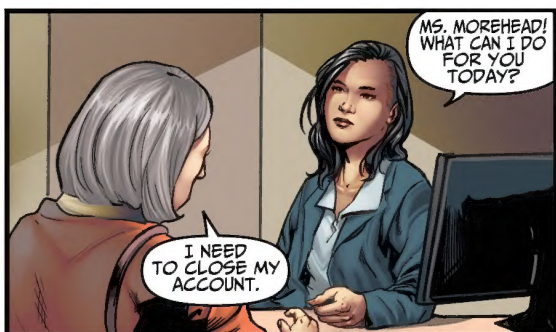
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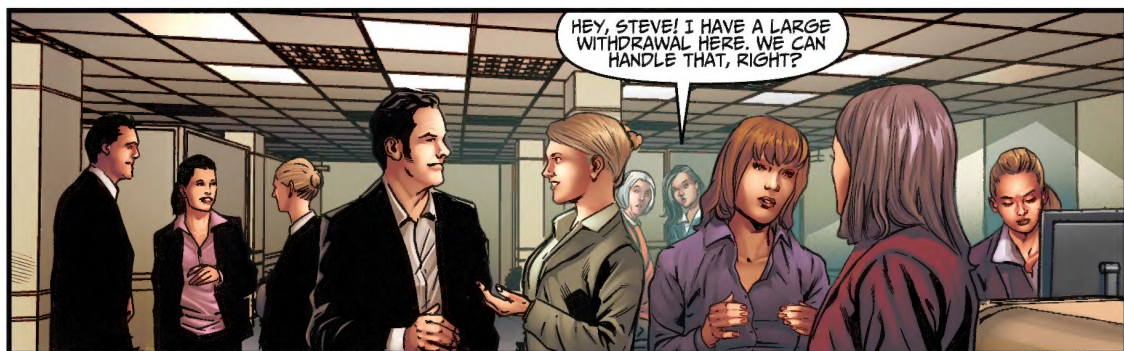
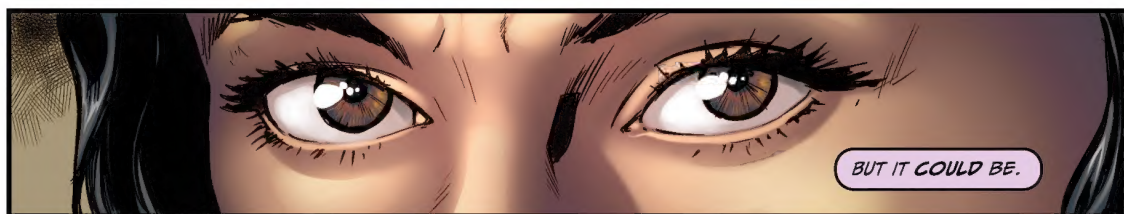
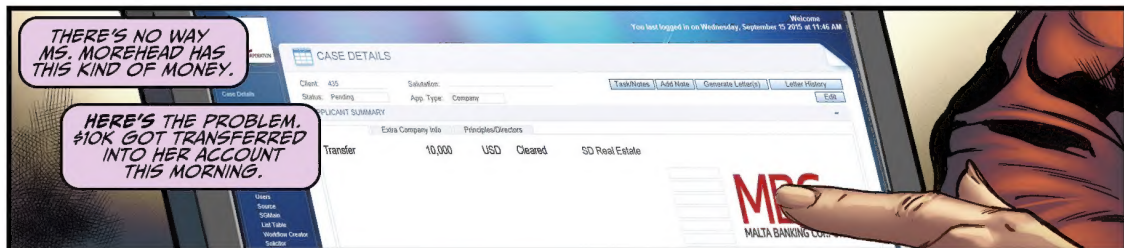
SHE'S GOING TO GIVE THE JOB TO HER. I KNOW IT.

WHAT, BECAUSE I'M NOT SOME IVORY TOWER HARVARD KID I CAN'T CONTRIBUTE?

SCREW IT. YOU DON'T DESERVE ME.

I'M SURE YOUR DAUGHTER WILL BE A **MUCH** BETTER FIT IN YOUR "SYSTEM."







IF THERE WAS EVER A DAY TO JUST GO HOME, LICK YOUR WOUNDS AND GET DRUNK, CHAR? THIS IS IT.



YOU TOTALLY BURNED YOUR CHANCE OF EVER WORKING AT WORLD SHARE. YOU'RE PROBABLY GOING TO GET FIRED AS SOON AS THE BANK FIGURES OUT WHAT HAPPENED TODAY.

GUESS MY NEW CORPORATE MANTRA WILL BE 'DO YOU WANT FRIES WITH THAT?'



YEAH. THAT'S A GREAT USE FOR MY DEGREE. SUCH A SMART MOVE, CHAR. FOLLOWING YOUR PASSIONS... SO EMPLOYABLE.



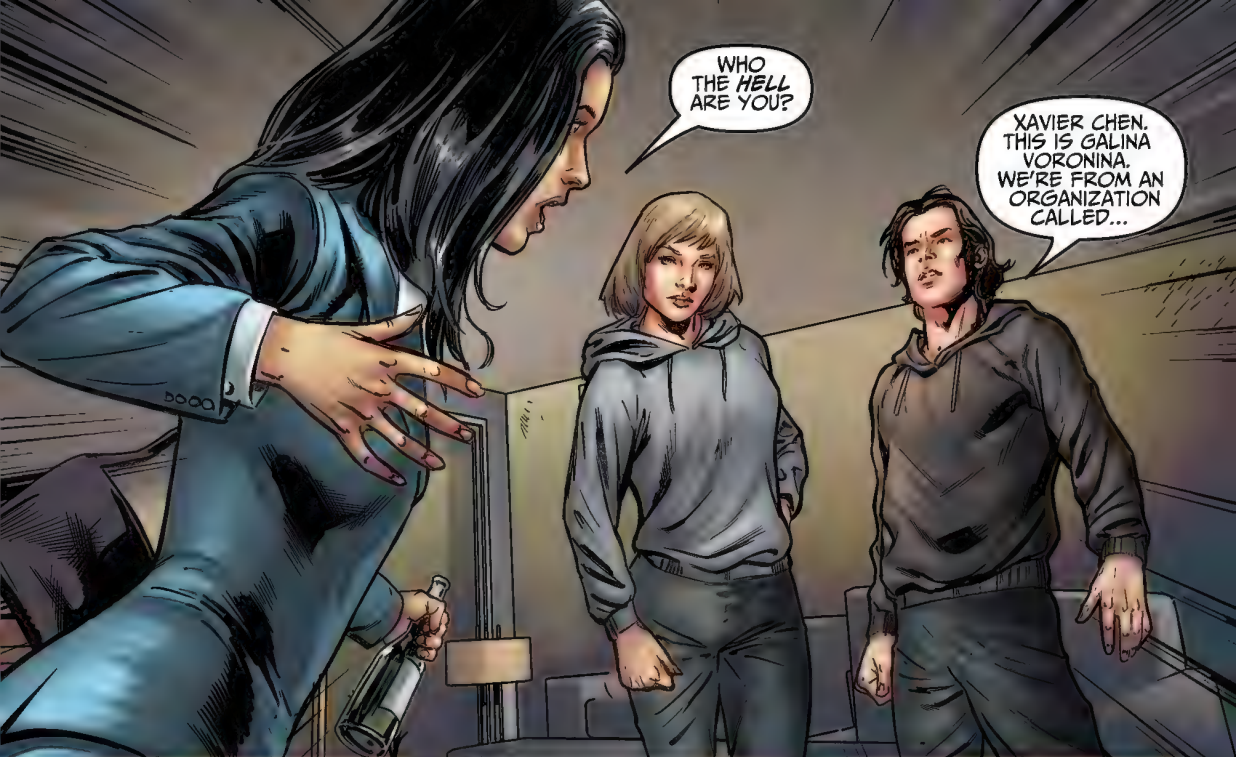
WHAT WAS I THINKING? WHY THE HELL DID I TOUCH THAT MONEY?



JEEZ, CHAR, WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?



...ROBIN HOOD?



WHO
THE HELL
ARE YOU?

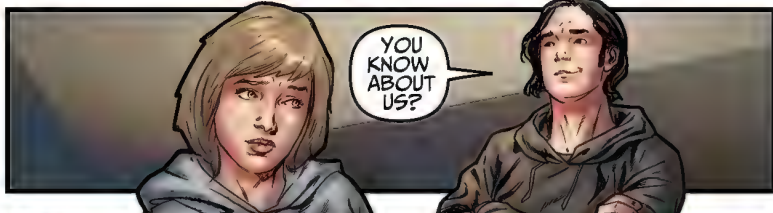
XAVIER CHEN.
THIS IS GALINA
VORONINA.
WE'RE FROM AN
ORGANIZATION
CALLED...



... THE BROTHERHOOD.



YES!



YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
US?



OF COURSE I DO.
EVERY CONSPIRACY
BOARD ON THE NET
TALKS ABOUT
YOU GUYS.

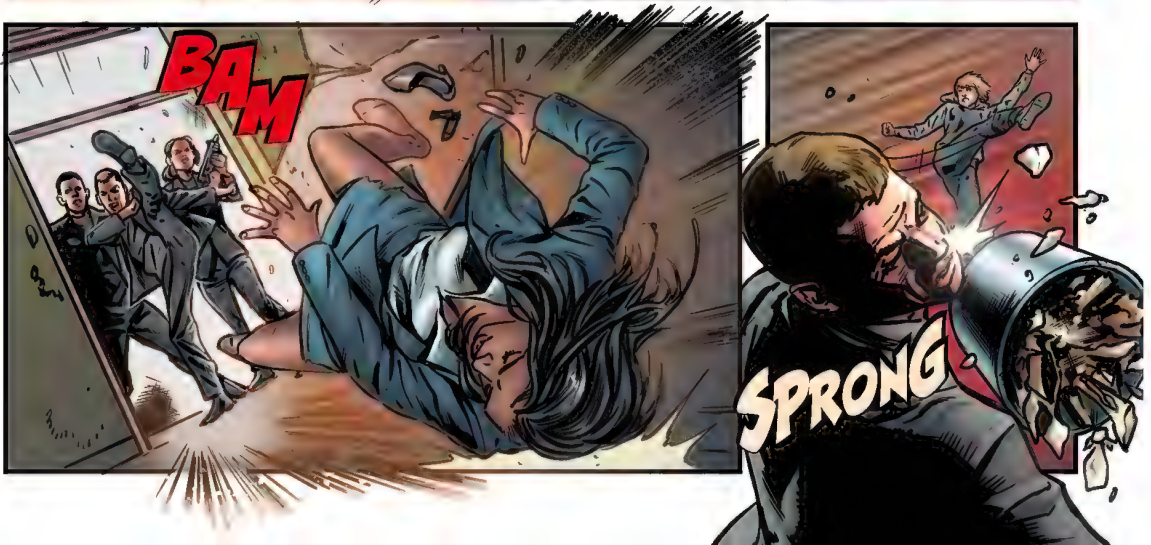
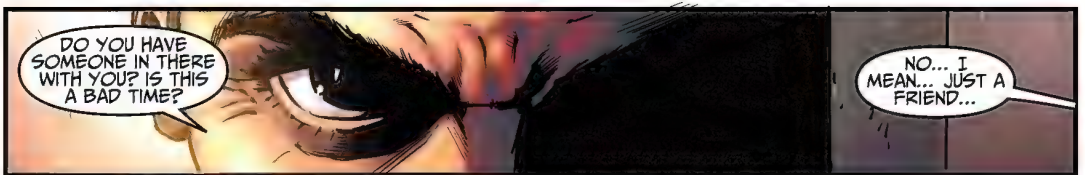
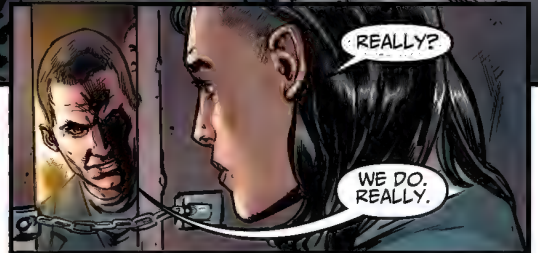
COURSE,
NORMALLY THEY
SAY YOU'RE ALL
MISSING A
FINGER.

REGARDLESS,
DUDE, I'M IN!



WAIT...
YOU'RE NOT
FRIENDS OF THAT
WEIRDO ONLINE,
ARE YOU?

**KNOCK
KNOCK**

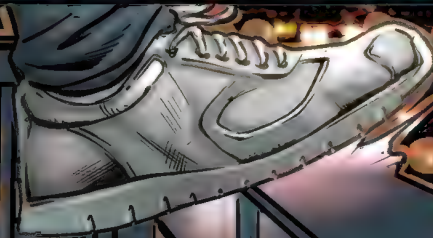
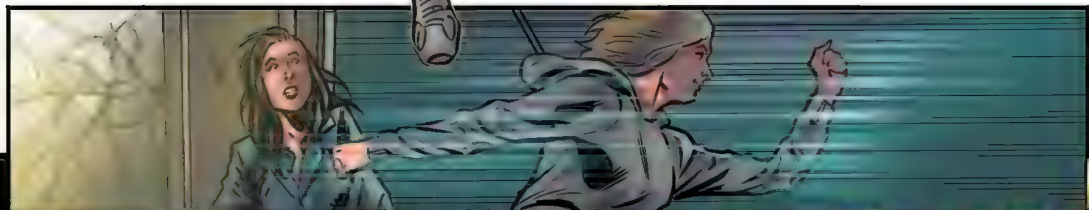
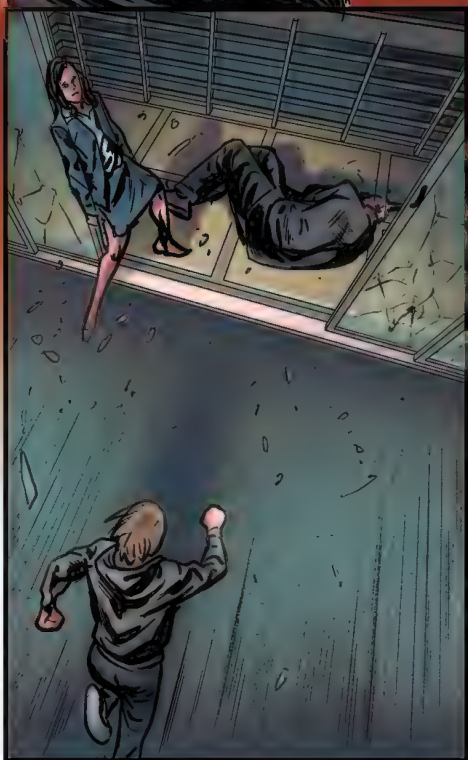




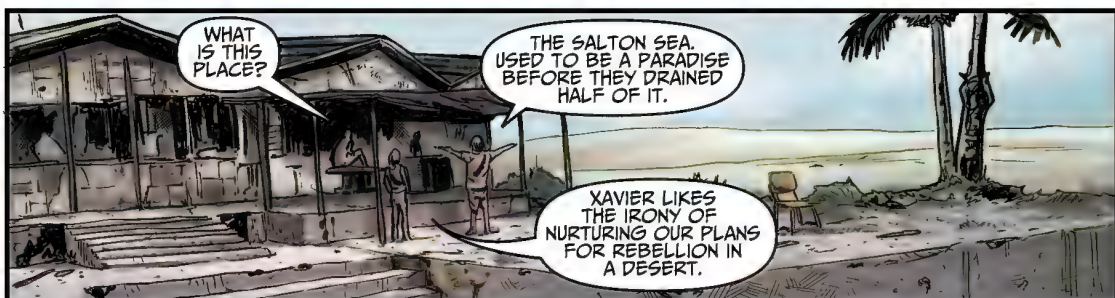
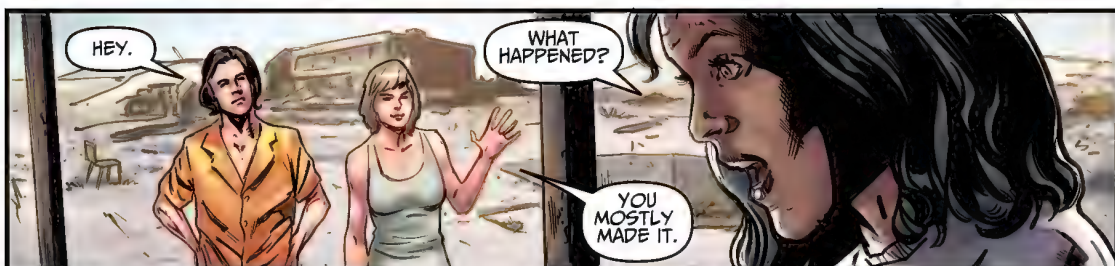
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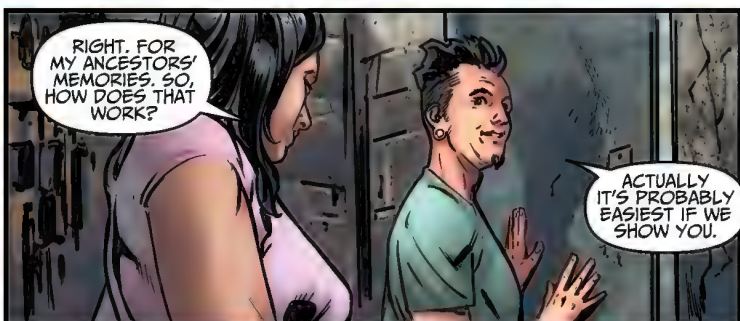
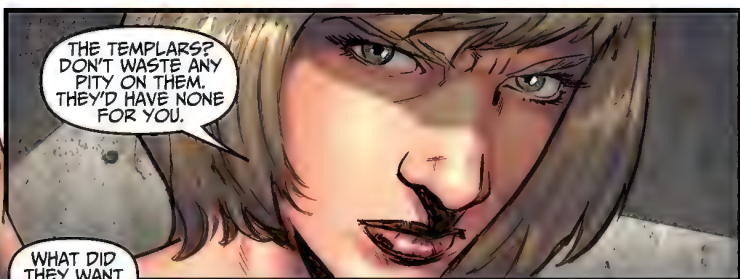
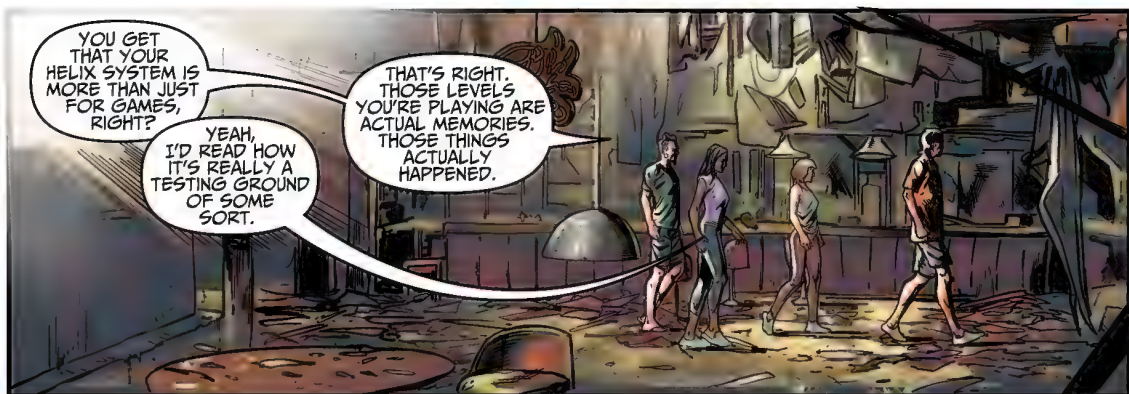


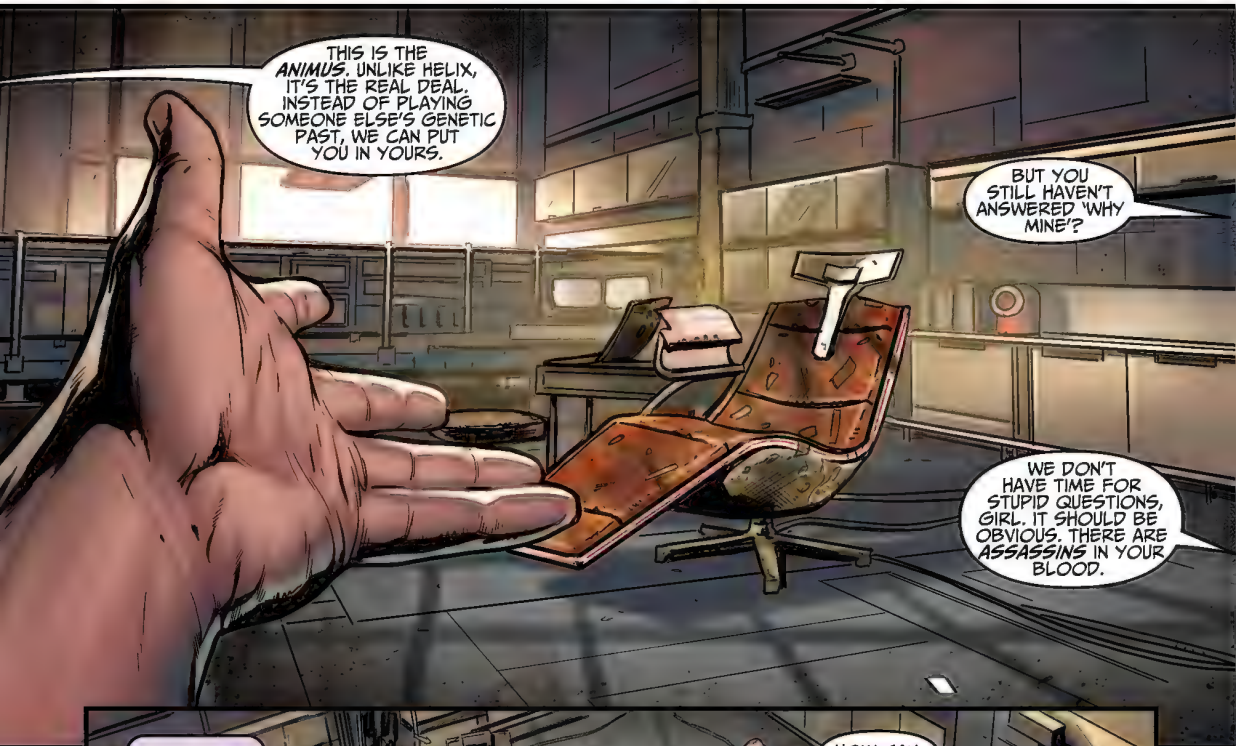
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THIS IS THE ANIMUS. UNLIKE HELIX, IT'S THE REAL DEAL. INSTEAD OF PLAYING SOMEONE ELSE'S GENETIC PAST, WE CAN PUT YOU IN YOURS.

BUT YOU STILL HAVEN'T ANSWERED 'WHY MINE'?

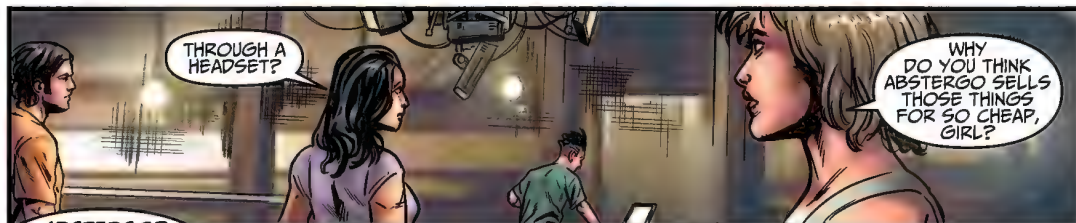
WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR STUPID QUESTIONS, GIRL. IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS. THERE ARE ASSASSINS IN YOUR BLOOD.



WHO NEEDS HARVARD?

HOW CAN YOU KNOW THAT?

THE COMPANY THAT MAKES THE V.R. SYSTEM? YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE THE DATA THEY CAN SCOOP.



THROUGH A HEADSET?

WHY DO YOU THINK ABSTERGO SELLS THOSE THINGS FOR SO CHEAP, GIRL?

ABSTERGO? YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT THE WORLD'S LARGEST CONGLOMERATE IS A FRONT FOR AN EVIL ORGANIZATION THAT WANTS TO CONTROL US ALL?

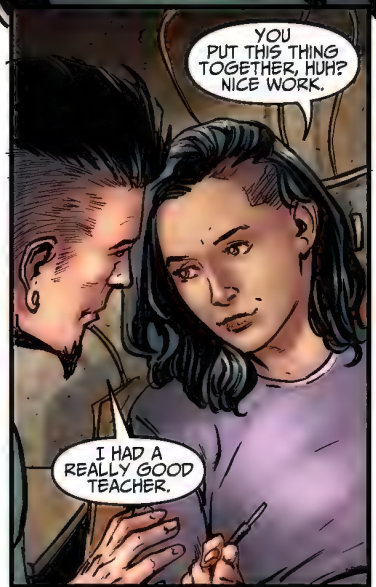
ACTUALLY, THAT KINDA MAKES PERFECT SENSE. NO WONDER I CAN NEVER FINISH THE GAME.

BUT WHY THE RUSH? WHY NOW?

TWELVE HOURS AGO, KODY INTERCEPTED A MESSAGE FROM THE TEMPLARS. A MEMBER OF THE BROTHERHOOD WE THOUGHT WAS DEAD... ISN'T.

BUT THAT'S GOOD NEWS, ISN'T IT?





"NOT EVERYONE
CAN HANDLE THE
REAL THING."

HO-LY
SHIT!

WOAH. THIS IS
SO MUCH MORE
INTENSE THAN MY
HOME SET-UP.

MY ANCESTOR'S
A WHITE DUDE?
WEIRD.

MOM'S GONNA
HAVE TO DO SOME
EXPLAINING.

1692.
Salem Village.

BRIDGET
BISHOP, YOU HAVE
BEEN SENTENCED TO
DEATH FOR THE CRIME
OF WITCHCRAFT! WILL
YOU SAVE YOUR SOUL
AND ADMIT YOUR SINS
BEFORE YOU GO
TO GOD?

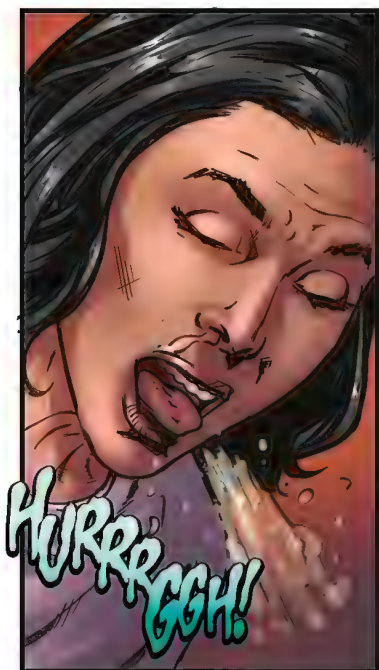
I AM NO WITCH.
I AM INNOCENT.
I KNOW NOTHING
OF IT.

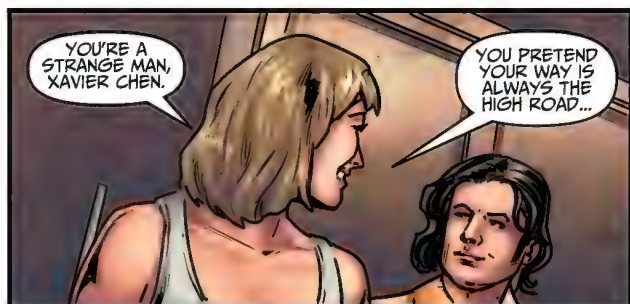
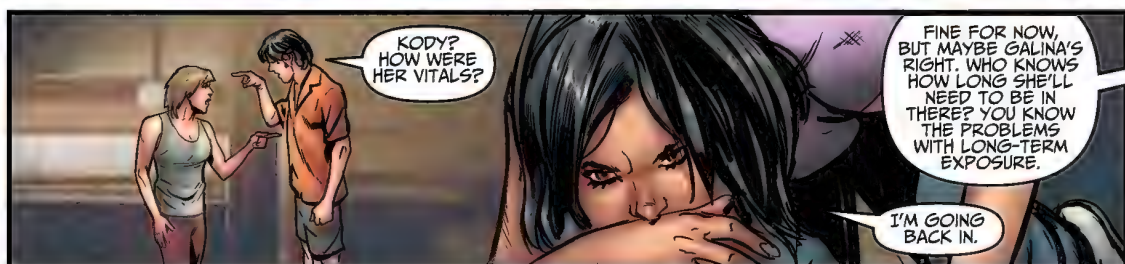
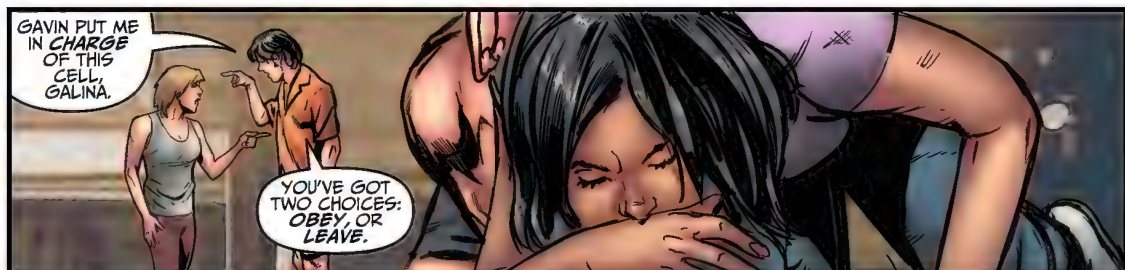
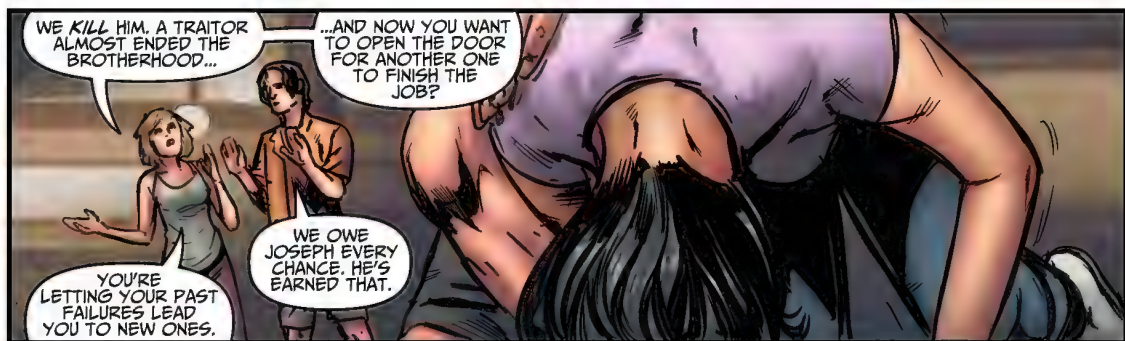
LIAR! MERCY
LEWES AND ABIGAIL
WILLIAMS HAVE SWORN
IN FRONT OF OUR LORD
THAT YOU CAME TO
THEM AS A SHADOW
AND PINCHED AND
TORMENTED
THEM!

OH, THAT'S
IRON-CLAD
EVIDENCE.

ALRIGHT,
ASSASSIN-ANCESTOR.
LET'S SEE YOU KICK
SOME PARANOID
MISOGYNIST ASS.







A comic book panel depicting a dramatic scene in a snowy city. In the foreground, a woman with long brown hair is shown in profile, her mouth wide open in a scream or shout. She is wearing a light-colored coat. In the background, two men are visible: one with white hair and a serious expression, and another wearing a fedora. The air is filled with falling snow, and the background shows the outlines of city buildings.

"BUT I NOTICE
YOU NEVER TOLD THE
GIRL THAT THIS COULD
DESTROY HER."

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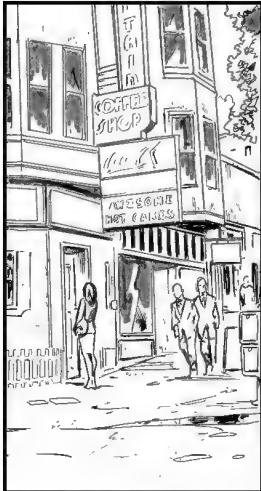
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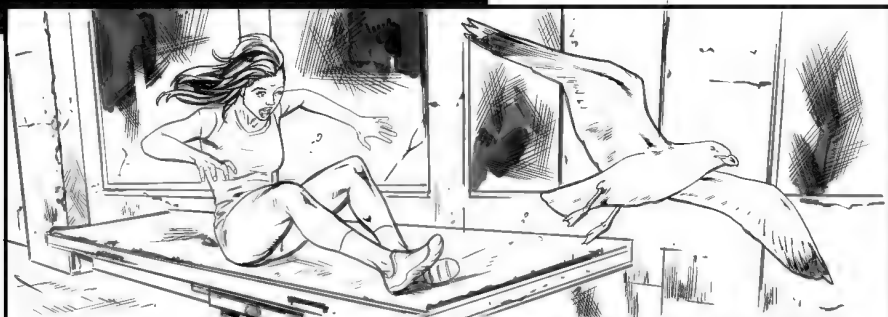
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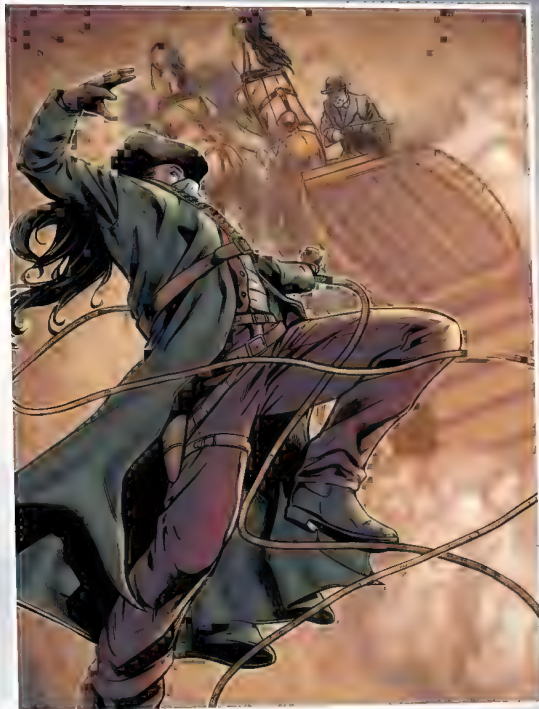






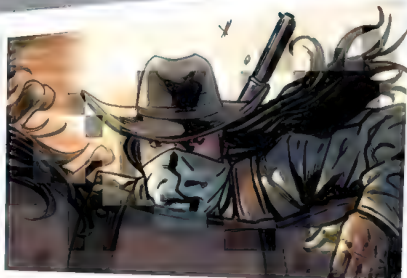
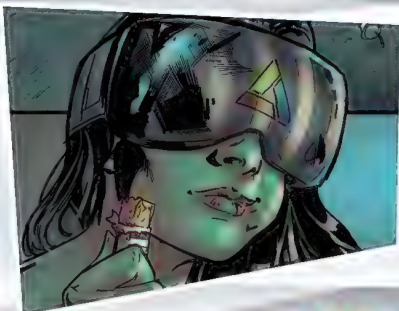


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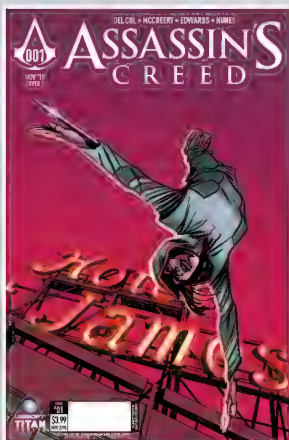
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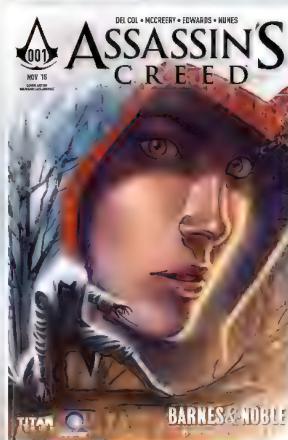
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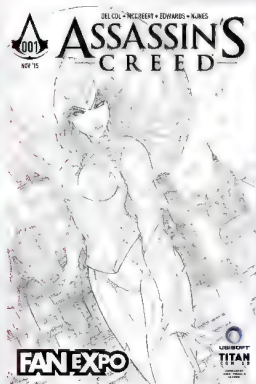
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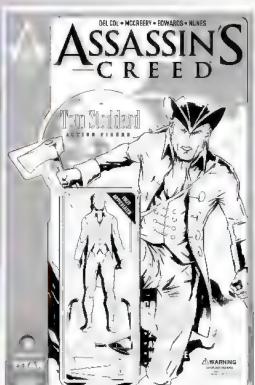
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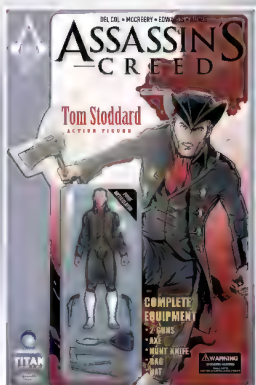
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